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—OF—

SELECTMEN, TREASURER,

Overseers of the Poor,

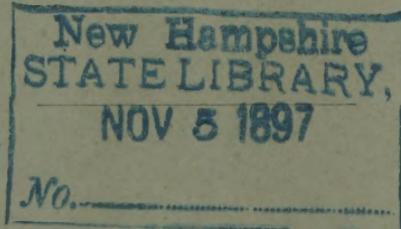
—AND—

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE

—OF THE TOWN OF—

SALEM, N. H.

For the Year Ending Feb. 29, 1884.



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TOWN OFFICERS.

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Town Clerk.

BENJAMIN R. WHEELER.

Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor.

WILLIAM R. WHEELER.

CHARLES E. KNIGHT.

PETER BATCHELDER.

Town Treasurer.

LEVI CLUFF.

Superintending School Committee.

WILLIAM C. BARTLETT.

Overseer of Poor.

WILLIAM R. WHEELER.

Constables.

JOSIAH Q. CLUFF.

JOHN H. TAYLOR.

JOHN J. HUNT.

Auditors.

MATTHEW H. TAYLOR.

CHARLES T. MAXWELL.

JOSEPH WEBSTER.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

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Whole amount of Assets.

Taxes assessed for the year 1883 are as follows:

State, County, Town and School tax,	\$7831 03
Dog tax,	118 00
School house tax district No. 1,	93 87
" " " " No. 3,	103 33
Received from the County,	324 60
Railroad tax,	359 30
Savings bank tax,	332 98
Literary fund,	138 72
Bounty on crows,	16 00
Balance in Treasury,	827 82
Town Hall,	5 00
Non-resident Highway Tax,	135 12
N. G. Abbott, tax list for 1881,	353 61
" " " " 1882,	2070 20
C. T. Maxwell, Interest,	17 00
N. G. Abbott, " "	23 02
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	\$12749 60

EXPENDITURES.

Paid on Account of Schools,

District No. 1, Town appropriation,	\$207 24
Railroad money,	35 93
Literary fund,	91 13
Dog tax,	10 00 \$344 30
2, Town appropriation,	51 15
Railroad money,	35 93
Literary fund,	20 51
Dog tax,	10 00 117 59
3, Town appropriation,	54 42
Railroad money,	35 93
Literary fund,	17 96
Dog tax,	10 00 109 31
4, Town appropriation,	102 84
Railroad money,	35 93
Literary fund,	43 48
Dog tax,	10 00 192 25
5, Town appropriation,	85 22
Railroad money,	35 93
Literary fund,	35 78
Dog tax,	10 00 167 23
6, Town appropriation	297 36
Railroad money,	35 93
Literary fund,	130 65
Dog tax,	10 00 473 94
7, Town appropriation,	77 70
Railroad money,	35 93
Literary fund,	32 31
Dog tax,	10 00 155 94

District No. 8, Town appropriation,	87 59
Railroad money,	35 93
Literary fund,	36 70
Dog tax,	10 00 170 22
9, Town appropriation,	94 40
Railroad money,	35 93
Literary fund,	40 17
Dog tax,	10 00 180 50
10, Town appropriation,	56 78
Railroad money,	35 93
Literary fund,	23 01
Dog tax,	10 00 125 72
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	\$2037 00

PAID ON ACCOUNT OF CONTINGENCIES.

John Woodbury, public watering place,	\$3 00
J. C. Ewins, public watering place,	3 00
J. D. P. Wingate, printing town reports,	40 00
George C. Gordon, insurance,	12 50
N. G. Abbott, to notifying town officers,	13 96
D. M. Thom, services as liquor agent,	32 00
Benjamin R. Wheeler, recording marriages, births and deaths,	10 40
R. Colburn, dinners for town officers,	10 85
Levi Cluff, stove and furniture for alms house,	46 25
E. C. Eastman, tax bills,	5 50
Winthrop N. Dow, county tax,	1593 55
Nelson Emerson, labor on old cemetery,	5 00
James Littlejohn, damage to turkeys,	5 00

Florence Mirick, interest on note to Oct. 1st 1883,	50 00
Samuel T. Newell, interest on note to Oct. 1st 1883,	75 00
Eber.ezer Dustin, interest on note, to Oct. 1st 1883,	100 00
Charlotte A. Dustin, interest on note, to Oct. 1, 1883,	100 00
William Taylor, for Enoch Taylor's estate, note and interest,	1298 07
School District No. 3, school house tax,	100 00
Thomas Dustin, damage to sheep,	15 00
Eliphalet Coburn, interest on note, to Oct. 1st 1883,	650 00
Thomas Dustin, damage to wall,	10 00
State tax,	1264 00
School district No. 3, interest on district note,	6 88
Charles Rodgers, public watering place,	3 00
School district No. 10, interest on note,	20 50
School District No. 1, school house tax,	90 00
Nathan G. Abbott, land bought for taxes, on tax list for 1882,	33 94
John Woodbury, public watering place,	3 00
Amos Webster, public watering place,	3 00
Josiah Q. Cluff, notifying town officers,	11 25
Thomas Dustin, public watering place,	3 00
William L. Stanton, public watering place,	3 00
Joseph Emerson, public watering place,	3 00
W. R. Wheeler, settling with County Commissioners,	5 00
W. R. Wheeler, attending Court in Messer crossing case,	3 00
C. E. Knight, expenses going to Concord, on Messer crossing case,	3 00
C. E. Knight, perambulating town line between Windham and Salem,	3 00
Charles E. Knight, use of horse and wagon,	4 50
J. D. Kelley, public watering place and gravel,	4 20
Peter Batchelder use of horse and wagon,	13 75
Peter Batchelder, perambulating town line,	3 00

Joshua Conant, alms house expenses,	378 67
Walker Haigh, setting glass in town house,	50
Frank M. Upton, blacksmithing,	74
James E. Thurber, damage to wagon on highway, near No. 7 school house,	4 00
Wiggin and Fuller, advise about tax,	3 00

	\$6050 01

ROADS AND BRIDGES

John Woodbury, labor on bridge,	\$2 00
William G. Crowell, plank and timber,	70 49
W. H. Clark, labor on highway,	7 44
Jerome B. Colby, work on highway,	6 00
George Miller, gravel,	2 50
Hiram Woodbury, working non-resident highway tax,	18
" " " " " " " "	88
Mark P. Thompson, for gravel,	4 97
John Webber, working non-resident highway tax,	88
Mark A. Blood, working non-resident highway tax,	1 40
Horace W. Hunt, gravel,	2 80
Taylor and Co., plank and stringers,	155 18
Thomas Dustin, for gravel,	5 00
Hiram Woodbury, gravel,	2 15
Hiram Woodbury, labor on highway,	7 85
George K. Colman, labar on highway,	4 50
M. Day, pipe for culverts,	12 16
R. A. Tilton, freight,	1 70
Peter Batchelder, labor on highway,	12 25
Charles Rodgers, gravel,	9 04
L. W. Taylor, spikes for bridge,	90

John Woodbury, gravel,	2 22
Horace B. Silver, labor on highway,	18 25
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	\$330 74

SNOW PATHS.

Amos N. Webster, breaking coals in 1881,	\$32 70
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	\$32 70

PAID ON ACCOUNT OF TRANSIENT POOR.

Edith Woodbury, for saupport,	\$137 59
J. T. Douglass, robe and coffin for David Dunlap,	13 50
Berlinda J. Blake, for support of Reynolds child,	26 50
Rosie A. Gile, for support,	58 80
James M. Presby, attendance on Sarah Howard,	5 00
James M. Presby, attendance on Rosie Gile,	20 00
Nelson Emerson, burial of David Dunlap,	5 00
James M. Presby, attendance on John Haley,	15 00
Levi Taylor, goods for Reynolds child,	6 10
Elijah Jennings, for support of George Jennings,	6 00
J. M. Presby, attendance on Rosie Gile,	10 00
J. M. Presby, attendance on George Jennings,	4 50
J. M. Presby, attendance on Winslow Emerson,	1 00
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	\$308 69

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

Washington Kimball, over tax,	\$12 77
N. G. Abbott, abatement on tax list of 1881,	31 39
N. G. Abbott, abatement on taxes for 1882,	49 37
C. T. Maxwell, abatement of taxes for 1883,	41 51
C. T. Maxwell, abatement Town Farm tax,	35 91
Discount,	373 67
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	\$544 62

TOWN OFFICERS.

John Austin, Supervisor,	\$12 00
Charles E. Knight, services as Selectman in part,	50 00
William C. Bartlett, services as Superintendent of schools in part,	35 00
William R. Wheeler, services as selectman in part,	50 00
Peter Batchelder, services as selectman in part,	50 00
D. D. Fisk, services as Supervisor and Auditor,	27 00
Charles, T. Bowker, services as Auditor,	2 00
W. R. Wheeler, balance of services as Selectman,	45 00
C. E. Knight, services as Selectman in full,	52 00
Peter Batchelder, balance of services as Selectman,	24 00
Joseph Webster, balance of services as Selectman, 1882,	5 00
Charles T. Maxwell, services as Collector,	175 00
Joshua Conant, services as Superintendent of almshouse in full for 1882,	50 00
Joshua Conant, Services as Superintendent of almshouse in part for 1883,	250 00

William C. Bartlett, as Superintending school committee,	40 00
Levi Cluff, services as Treasurer, for 1883,	40 00
Benjamin R. Wheeler, services as Town Clerk,	50 00
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	\$957 00

BOUNTIES.

J. Will Kelley, thirteen crows,	\$1 30
Oliver M. Bradford, one crow,	10
John Peabody, two crows,	20
Frank Robie, two crows,	20
James A. Littlejohn, six crows,	60
O. G. Woodbury, one crow,	10
William Lancaster, one crow,	10
James H. Ayer, one crow,	10
Norton E. Smith, one crow,	10
J. Will Kelley, six crows,	60
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	\$3 40

RECAPITULATION.

Whole amount of assets.	\$12,749 60
Paid on account of Schools,	\$2037 00
Contingencies,	6050 01
Roads and Bridges,	330 74
Snow Paths,	32 70
Transient Poor,	308 69
Abatement of taxes,	170 95
Bounties,	3 40
Town Officers,	957 00
Discount,	373 67
Cash in hands of Treasurer,	909 87
Due from N. G. Abbott, on tax list of 1881	180 23
Due from N. G. Abbott, on tax list	
of 1882,	278 34
Due from C. T. Maxwell, on tax list	
of 1883,	1117 00
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	\$12,749 60

**OUTSTANDING NOTES AGAINST THE
TOWN.**

Eliphalet Coburn, note and interest to Mar. 1 1884,	\$13270	83
Charlotte A. Dustin,	"	" 2041 66
Ebenezer Dustin,	"	" 2041 63
Samuel T. Newell,	"	" 1530 25
Florence A. Mirrick,	"	" 1020 83
School Dist. No. 10,	"	" 210 16
" 2,	"	" 231 30
" 3,	"	" 140 00
		\$20486 69

DUE THE TOWN.

N. G. Abbott, Collector taxes, 1881,	\$180	23
" 1882,	278	34
C. T. Maxwell, Collector of Taxes, 1883,	1117	00
Due on account of land bought for taxes		
on tax list of 1879,	86	54
Interest on same,	5	19
Due on account of land bought for taxes		
on tax list 1882,	33	94
Interest on same,	2	03
Balance in Treasurer's hands,	909	87
Due from County of Rockingham,	40	00
	\$2653	14
Leaving a balance against the town of		
Reduction of the town debt,		
WILLIAM R. WHEELER, CHARLES E. KNIGHT, PETER BATCHELDER,	{	Selectmen of Salem.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

DR.

Cash on hand, March 1st, 1883,	\$827 82
Rec'd of N. G. Abbott, Collector,	1988 26
Rec'd of C. T. Maxwell, Collector,	7181 35
" State Treasurer bounty on crows,	16 00
" " Railroad Tax,	359 30
" " Savings Bank Tax,	332 98
" " Literary fund,	138 72
Rec'd of County Treasurer, for board of County paupers,	324 60
For rent of town Hall,	5 00

	\$11,174 03

CR.

By orders of Selectmen,	\$10264 16
Cash in Treasurer's hands,	909 87

	\$11,174 03

LEVI CLUFF, Town Treasurer.

**REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF
ALMSHOUSE.**

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By cash paid for Grain,	\$109 77
Meat,	101 78
Groceries,	37 03
Butter,	22 35
Dry goods,	13 80
Tobacco,	16 33
Pigs,	27 00
Labor,	115 00
Standing grass,	24 00
Stone work,	18 00
Double harnesses,	20 00
Plow,	10 00
Labor on well,	15 00
Blacksmith,	13 43
Repairing harnesses,	1 00
" wheel,	2 50
Sawing lumber.	2 75
Filing saws,	1 65
Use of bull,	2 50
Superphosphate,	5 40
Farming tools,	2 75
Nails,	65
Garden seed,	75
Butchering,	2 25
Tub,	50
Painting,	5 00
Oil,	1 00

By cash paid for Shovel,	90
Brooms,	80
Apples,	1 50
Boots and shoes,	4 25
Medicine,	85
Soap,	4 36
Room paper,	3 20
Tin ware,	2 15
Fish,	5 32
Salt,	4 10
Leather,	1 00
Mop handle,	30
Cows,	272 00
Pasturage,	5 00
Grain,	450 36
Groceries,	170 41
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	\$1498 69

DR.

Cash received for Milk,	\$934 60
Cows,	156 72
Calves,	16 70
Eggs,	12 00
of the town,	378 67
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	\$1498 69

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF POOR.

Paid Supt. Almshouse balance services 1882,	\$50 00
" " in part 1883,	250 00
on account of transient poor,	308 69
balance on account of Superintendent,	378 67
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	\$987 36
 Cash received from County of Rockingham,	324 60
Due from county,	40 00
Balance against town,	622 76
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	\$987 36
 Due Supt. of Almshouse, April 1, 1884,	50 00

WILLIAM R. WHEELER, } Overseers
 CHARLES E. KNIGHT, } of the
 PETER BATCHELDER, } Poor.

The undersigned having examined the foregoing accounts,
 find them correctly cast and properly vouched for.

CHARLES T. MAXWELL, } Auditors.
 JOSEPH WEBSTER, }

PERSONAL PROPERTY AT ALMSHOUSE.

Five tons English hay,	\$100 00
Four and one half meadow hay,	40 00
Seven bushels corn,	5 60
Fifteen bags meal,	21 75
One and one-half bushels flour,	12 00
Twelve hundred lbs. shorts,	13 80
One horse,	100 00
Eleven cows,	0 00
Three heifers,	50 00
One set blocks,	2 50
Twelve bags,	2 50
One wagon,	60 00
One harness,	15 00
One set double harnesses,	20 00
Five hay forks,	4 75
Four shovels,	2 00
Four manure forks,	2 00
Three crow bars,	3 00
Four wood saws,	3 00
Two hand saws,	2 00
Ten chains,	6 00
One manure hook and flail.	1 00
Five rakes,	1 00
Four hoes,	1 50
Measures,	75
One barrel,	50
Thirteen cords wood,	39 00
Fifteen cords wood prepared,	60 00
Thirty fowls,	15 00
Whiffletree and chains,	2 00
Stone hammer,	1 00

Six pigs,	36 00
Four wedges,	1 00
One mowing machine,	50 00
One harrow,	3 00
One cultivator,	2 50
Scythes and snath,	4 00
Bush scythe snath,	1 50
Four plows,	20 00
Brush and comb,	1 00
One wrench,	75
Two ox yokes,	2 00
One wheelbarrow,	4 00
Two brass kettles,	3 00
Three tubs,	50
One hundred and fifty lbs. ham,	18 00
Four hundred lbs. salt pork,	81 00
Three pork barrels,	1 50
Sixty lbs. lard,	8 40
Thirty lbs. butter,	9 00
Two barrels vinegar and three casks,	12 00
Oil and can,	1 50
Ladders,	5 00
Garden rake,	75
Five baskets,	1 00
Seventy-five bushels potatoes,	45 00
Eight bushels small potatoes,	3 20
Soap and barrel,	1 00
Two wash-boards,	50
One sleigh,	15 00
Sugar,	1 00
Tea,	1 00
Churns and pails,	5 00
Butter box,	1 00

Tray and bowl,	1 00
Tin ware,	12 00
Two lanterns,	1 80
Stone jars,	2 00
Fiat-irons,	2 00
Steelyards,	50
Mortar,	50
Fourteen feather beds,	35 00
Quilts and comforters,	25 00
Twenty-eight pillows,	8 00
Forty-two pillow cases,	4 50
Eight bolsters,	2 00
Fifteen pairs of sheets,	5 00
Wearing apparel,	40 00
Chairs and table,	10 00
Thirty-six towels,	3 00
Nine bedsteads,	9 00
Nine straw beds,	4 50
Two clocks and mirrors,	2 50
Trunks, chests and drawers,	7 00
Six jugs,	1 00
Crockery ware,	5 50
Warming and bed pans,	2 00
Cranberry rake,	1 00
Six axes,	3 00
Forty flour barrels,	6 00
One cross-cut saw,	1 00
Augurs,	1 75
Clothes-wringer,	2 00
Two broad axes,	1 00
Lot carpenter's tools,	6 00
Hammer and stone tools,	2 00
Four brooms,	68

One side-board,	2 00
Two iron kettles,	1 00
Stove and funnel,	40 00
Clothes-line,	1 00
Rubber cushion,	2 00
Clothes-basket,	50
Tubs,	2 00
Blankets,	3 00
One horse blanket,	1 00
Three picks,	2 85
Horse sled,	20 00
Farm wagon,	15 00
Cart body,	5 00
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	\$1681 53

APPRAISAL PROPERTY OWNED BY TOWN.

Town farm valued at	\$5000 00
Wood land,	150 00
Town House,	1000 00
Personal property at Almshouse,	1681 53
Town safe,	200 00
Town hearse,	700 00
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	\$8731 53

SCHOOL HOUSE TAX.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

Whole amount assessed,		93 87
Collection and abatement,	3 87	
Paid the District,	90 00	93 87

DISTRICT NO. 3.

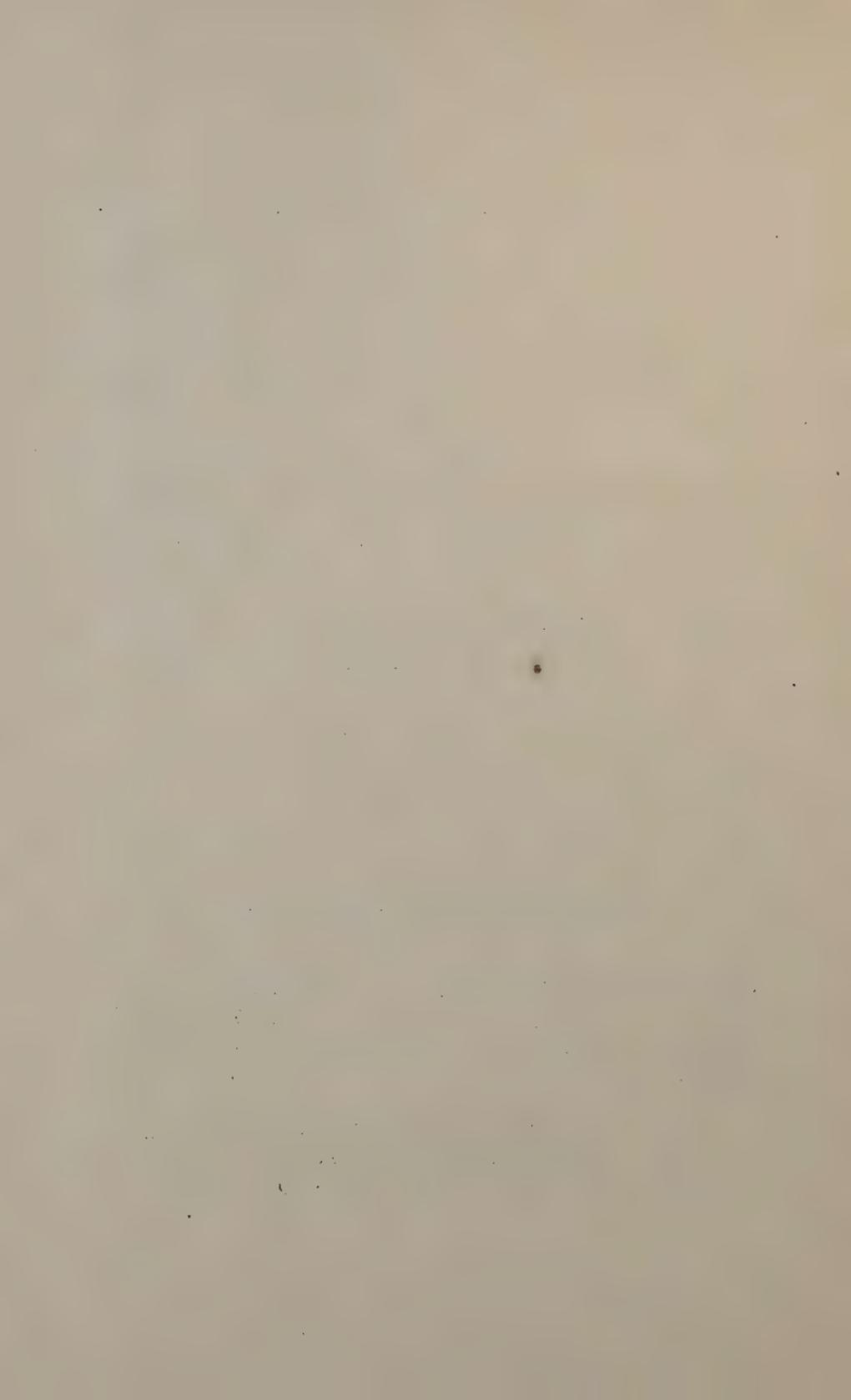
Whole amount assessed,		103 33
Collection and abatement,	3 33	
Paid the District.	100 00	103 33

WILLIAM R. WHEELER, } Selectmen
 CHARLES E. KNIGHT, } of
 PETER BATCHELDER, } Salem.

PINE GROVE CEMETERY.

Cash received of former Board,	\$26 10	
for lots,	12 75	38 85
Paid Nelson Emerson,	25 00	
Cash on hand,	13 85	38 85

WILLIAM R. WHEELER, } Selectmen
 CHARLES E. KNIGHT, } of
 PETER BATCHELDER, } Salem.



THE ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
Superintending School Committee
OF THE
TOWN OF SALEM.

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The work done by the schools in Salem will compare favorably with that of former years. With few exceptions the most perfect harmony has existed between the teachers and their schools. In most of the districts the teachers have been retained for two or more terms. This we consider to be an advantage so long as all parties concerned are satisfied and the teacher is thoroughly interested in his or her work. Some of the teachers have taught in the same school previous terms, and others have taught in town if not in the same districts. Great credit is due to all the teachers for earnest effort put forth by them in their work. In our report of the different districts, suggestions will be made which may be of profit to the others and should be carefully noted by all.

The school rooms on the whole have been well cared for by the local committee, some improvements have been made, but still others may be made with

great advantage both to teachers and pupils. Crumbling pavements before the doors and slamming blinds outside, and broken and defaced black-boards inside, are always sources of annoyance to the teacher. Smoke is not only an annoyance, but is actually injurious to the eyes. A little more care on the part of the committee with a trifling expense would cause these annoyances to disappear.

The whole number of school children in the town between the ages of five and fifteen years as reported by the selectmen, is 226: boys, 111; girls, 115.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

This school was taught for the first two terms by Miss A. L. Flanders of Boscawen, N. H. Miss Flanders took great interest in the school, and did her best to have the children learn, but for some reason she failed to get the good will of a few of the larger pupils. She took the school under somewhat unfavorable circumstances, the district very much desiring to retain Mr. Bates, a former teacher. Her work however was entirely satisfactory to both the Prudential and Superintending committee, her second term was much more pleasant for her than her first. Good substantial work was done in both terms as was seen by the parents and committee at the close of each term. The winter term was taught by Miss M. H. Coombs of Penacook, N. H. She was a teacher of large experience and came well recommended. The winter term of this school is in progress at the writing of this report.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

This school although small is by no means an insignificant one. The teacher for the first term was Miss

Ida S. Mason, of Atkinson, N. H. It was her first school but she did well on the whole, some of the classes made very good progress, the class in the sixth reader did remarkably well, other classes did well in part. If we were to offer any criticism it would be that the teacher lacked enthusiasm in her work. The second term was taught by Miss Mary A. Haseltine of Salem. Although it was her first school she gave perfect satisfaction to all concerned.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

This school was fortunate in securing the services of Miss Anna C. Hemphill of Derry, for the whole year. Miss Hemphill has greatly endeared herself to the pupils of this school and also to the parents of the scholars as well. This school is one of the small ones as to members, yet it is one of the most advanced of any in town. Besides well advanced classes in the common branches, good classes in physiology, book-keeping and algebra have been taught and the examination in all these last named studies showed that good work had been done. The fall term was prolonged three weeks by money raised at an entertainment given by the teacher and pupils.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

Miss Emma B. Gordon of Atkinson was teacher in this school for the first two terms. She showed good skill and judgment in the management of the school and in the main gave good satisfaction. A few however were dissatisfied and took their children out of school. This is never wise in parents. If there is any trouble in the school, the proper course to pursue is to

have an investigation and if there is any real cause for the trouble, have the matter attended to at once. The examinations showed that good work had been done. The winter term was taught by Miss Carrie E. Thom of Salem, with the most gratifying results. The order was very good and excellent work was done in the classes. The examinations in geography, arithmetic, algebra and history were very fine. There is a peculiar intonation of voice in this school which makes it difficult to understand the scholars in their answers to questions. Miss Thom tried very hard to correct this, and succeeded in part. The punctuality of the scholars in this school is worthy of note here and of imitation everywhere.

DISTRICT NO. 5.

Mrs. Lenie S. Mason taught this school for the year with the best of results. Mrs. Mason is very quiet in her work and she keeps good order in her schools. This was not her first work in town as a teacher. She taught the school in district No. 7 the last term last year, as also in No. 8 the year before. The classes in arithmetic and geography did very well, the class in history not quite so well. The examinations for the winter term were conducted two weeks before they were expected to be on account of measles breaking out in the school. The pupils did well considering they did not have any time for review.

DISTRICT NO. 6. PRIMARY.

Miss Emma F. Goodhue of Derry has had charge of this school for the whole year and has done a good work. This is in some respects the most difficult

school in town, but it is believed by all concerned that the right teacher has had charge of the work this year. Miss Goodhue has the faculty of winning the love of her school, and rules among them more by love than by fear. The classes have without an exception done good work and the examinations have been satisfactory to all present. One very pleasant feature in the examinations of this school is the large number of the parents and citizens who are always present. The most difficult part of the work of this school is to keep order among so many little ones. Great credit is due to Mr. Wells, the faithful and efficient committee of this district, for his untiring devotion to his work.

DISTRICT NO. 6. GRAMMAR.

The first term of this school was taught by Miss Belle D. McGregor of Derry, N. H. She was a good teacher and well qualified to teach and gave good satisfaction. It was hoped and expected at the close of the first term that she would return in the fall. The school made good progress under her teaching. She did not choose to return however, and Miss Georgia A. Brown was engaged to take her place. Miss Brown is in many respects a superior teacher. She thoroughly understands every part of her work. She moves among her pupils with gentleness, but with firmness. She maintains the most perfect order in her school. The examinations at the close of the fall term did credit to both pupils and teacher, one class had been drilled for the whole term on "fractions" and they had thoroughly mastered the subject. The same class is being drilled on the subject of "interest" this term. Other classes are worthy of mention but space will not admit. The winter term has not closed at the writing of this report, some sixty dollars having been contributed by the district to lengthen the term.

DISTRICT NO. 7.

Miss Ida F. Thom of Salem, taught both terms of this school. It was her first effort at teaching, but she gave good satisfaction in the district. This is the smallest school but one in numbers in town. The scholars with one or two exceptions are small, and are not very far advanced in their studies. The children seemed to lack interest in their work. The order in the school was fair and the answers to questions in some of the classes good. Miss Thom bids fair if she continues to teach, to do good work.

DISTRICT NO. 8.

The school in this district was taught by Miss Nellie L. Coburn of Methuen, Mass. This was her first school, but she showed by her work that she intended to do good work. The order in the school was not what it should have been. The teacher lacked authority and the scholars were not slow to take advantage of that lack. This was more apparent during the first term than the second. The order was much improved, and some of the classes made good progress in their studies. The examination at the close of the last term was good and showed marked improvement.

DISTRICT NO. 9.

Miss Lucy C. Martin of Haverhill, Mass., was engaged to teach this school for the first term, but after teaching one week she was taken sick and was not able to resume her work, so this school really had but one term this year. In the fall Miss Caroline J. Crosby of Methuen, Mass., was engaged to teach and she taught

twenty weeks with only a recess of one week. This is the smallest school in town as to numbers, but no school in town showed more improvement during the year than this one. One little boy only seven years old, Frankie D. Hoyt, in his examination in geography answered seventy-eight questions without missing one, and his answers to questions in Colburn's arithmetic were equally good. All the classes did well.

DISTRICT NO. 10.

Miss Lizzie D. Hartford of Manchester, taught this pleasant little school both terms with satisfaction to parents and profit to the scholars. Good order was maintained in the school and promptness and accuracy characterized all the examinations. In this school may be found some of the best readers in town. Appended is roll of honor and statistics.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. C. BARTLETT.

Superintendent of schools in Salem, N. H.

ROLL OF HONOR.

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Containing names of scholars who have not been absent or tardy during this year, also names of any who have been absent or tardy but once marked with a (*)

District No. 2.—Martha P. Haseltine, Cora M. Haseltine.

District No. 4.—Laura E. Taylor, Eva B. Taylor, Lizzie E. Goodhue, William W. Taylor.

District No. 5.—Emma J. Rowell, Otis A. Hunt.

District No. 6, Grammar School.—Albert J. Wells.

District No. 8.—Lizzie A. Hall, Lucy A. Jennings, Eva O. Joy, Ora A. Joy.

District No. 10—Sarah B. Colby.

STATISTICAL TABLE No. 1.

Districts	Terms	Names of Teachers	No. of weeks	No. of pupils	Average attendance	No. not absent	Wages teachers per month	Visits of Supt School Com.	Visits of Prudential Com.	Visits of others	Prudential Committee
No. 1	Summer Fall	A. L. Flanders " " M. H. Coombs	10 40 34	5 \$32	3 3	3 21	C. H. Ayer				
No. 2	Winter Summer	Ida S. Mason	12 41 29.9	0 36	3 3	3 23		William H. Haseltine			
No. 3	Fall Summer	Mary A. Haseltine Anna C. Hempill	12 14 12.4	3 20	2 2	1 16		George J. Pattee			
No. 4	Fall Summer	Emma B. Gordon " "	15 25 22	2 24	2 2	1 16		Matthew H. Taylor			
No. 5	Winter Summer	Carrie E. Thom Senie S. Mason	10 22 18	10 30	2 2	1 18		Herbert Harris			
No. 6	Winter Summer	" " Belle D. McGregor	10 12 11	4 30	2 2	1 11		Eben B. Wells			
Grammar	Fall Winter	Gorgia A. Brown " "	10 33 30	5 36	2 2	3 34					
Primary	Summer Fall	Emma F. Goodhue " "	10 30 34	3 28	2 2	2 20					
No. 7	Winter Summer	Ida F. Thom	12 33 30	5 28	2 2	3 52		Frank L. Woodbury			
No. 8	Fall Summer	Nellie L. Colburn " "	15 15 13	7 24	2 2	1 25		George W. Noyes			
No. 9	Fall	Caroline J. Crosby	10 17 16	7 30	2 2	1 16		Philip Ayer			
No. 10	Summer Fall	Lizzie D. Hartford " "	7 19 17	6 28	2 2	1 17		John W. Wheeler			
			11 20 15	3 28	2 2	1 10					

STATISTICAL TABLE NO. 2.

Districts.	Terms.	No. of scholars in Reading.												
		Spelling.	Pennmanship.	Arithmetic.	Geography.	Grammar.	History.	Composition.	Drawing.	Physiology.	Book-keeping.	Algebra.	Philosophy.	Vocal Music.
No. 1.	Summer.	40	40	30	27	20	6	3	17	20				40
	Fall.	34	34	24	20	17	6	3	15	20				34
	Winter.	38	38	29	29	18	10	4	2			2		
No. 2.	Summer.	11	11	6	9	5	3		5					
	Fall.	14	14	9	11	7	3		6					2
No. 3.	Summer.	16	15	8	12	7	4	3			3	2	2	
	Fall.	12	12	8	8	3	8	4			3	2		
No. 4.	Summer.	25	25	13	15	12	3	1					1	
	Fall.	16	16	9	10	8	3	1					1	
	Winter.	22	22	19	16	9	3	1					1	
No. 5.	Summer.	14	14	13	13	6	2	2	2					
	Winter.	12	12	12	12	10	7	4	7					
No. 6. Grammar	Summer.	25	25	25	24	14	12	9	25		1	2	2	1
	Fall.	33	33	33	33	18	33	20	33	21	6	5	3	
	Winter.	29	29	29	29	19	29	15			6	3		
Primary	Summer.	30	30	17	18	11								
	Fall.	36	36	26	21	15			22					
	Winter,	33	33	25	26	22	6		20					
No. 7.	Summer.	7	7	4	6	1	1	1						
	Fall.	11	11	6	8	8	4							
No. 8.	Summer.	15	8	12	11	9	2							
	Fall.	17	10	15	11	12	4						1	
No. 9.	Fall.	9	8	7	9	6	5							
No. 10.	Summer.	19	19	19	14	6	6							
	Fall.	20	20	20	15	8	6							

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